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Item No. 1 Hotel Accommodation for Citizens without Access to Water

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On April 9, 2014, the Executive Policy Committee submitted the following to Council:

1. That the Council Motion of March 26, 2014 be received as information.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

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COUNCIL DECISION:

On March 26, 2014, Council ruled automatic referral of the following motion to the Executive Policy Committee:

Moved by Councillor Havixbeck,
Seconded by Councillor Smith,

WHEREAS citizens have the right to access water in their homes;

AND WHEREAS the recent emergency situation where approximately 720 addresses throughout the City of Winnipeg still do not have municipal water nor do they have access to a neighbour's temporary connection for water;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT citizens be afforded the option of staying at a hotel or a bed and breakfast within the City of Winnipeg until either a temporary connection can be established or their pipes can be thawed and regular service resumes;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Public Service be directed to negotiate a bulk discount with hoteliers and offer a rate similar to airlines offering rates to passengers when they need to layover.